

Climate justice/accountability reporter - Louisiana

Floodlight is a nonprofit newsroom that investigates the powerful interests stalling climate action. Floodlight's core mission is to help the public understand how our political systems are being manipulated to thwart climate progress.

Our growing six-person team partners with local and national news outlets to report and publish our investigations. Our partners have included the Guardian, the Intercept, NPR, the Los Angeles Times and The Texas Tribune. In Louisiana, our local partners are The Lens in New Orleans and The Illuminator in Baton Rouge. See all our reporting [here](#).

As part of our Louisiana partnership, Floodlight is seeking a full-time Louisiana-based enterprise reporter to work alongside a three-person Gulf Coast investigative team. This is not a daily beat, but one that would produce several stories a month.

A typical day might include analyzing a pro-industry bill from the state legislature, tracking down campaign finance data, or interviewing residents impacted by oil and gas facilities. An ideal candidate writes clearly and concisely and is comfortable explaining their reporting to the general public, including with appearances on radio and television.

The successful candidate will have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to justice, fairness and accuracy.

This position will be largely self-directed. We're looking for a journalist who can identify and pursue stories independently, with guidance from our Gulf Coast investigative editor and partner editors at The Lens and The Illuminator. This reporter will also collaborate with two investigative reporters, in Louisiana and Texas, to identify developments that require further scrutiny.

The reporter must be based in Louisiana but can work remotely from anywhere in the state.

Preferred Skills and Experience

- Bachelor's degree
- Minimum 3 years of professional experience as a reporter
- Extraordinary reporting and writing skills
- Strong news judgment
- A critical eye for when information may be misleading
- Understanding of open records laws
- Ability to work independently
- Ability to work collaboratively with others, share bylines and communicate with editors
- A working knowledge of the energy industry and/or an understanding of the causes of climate change is preferred
- Strong preference for candidates who live or have lived in Louisiana

We are also hiring a Gulf Coast editor. Please refer to that listing if you feel it may be a better fit.

We know there are excellent nontraditional candidates who may not meet every qualification we've listed. If that's you, don't hesitate to apply and tell us about yourself.

Compensation: Minimum salary of \$50,000, commensurate with experience and expertise. Floodlight offers flexible vacation and encourages our staff to take time to rest and recharge. We offer a 4% 401k match and health insurance reimbursement.

Cultivating an inclusive staff is central to Floodlight's mission. Candidates from marginalized and underrepresented backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. Floodlight is an equal-opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran or disability status.

Please send your resume, three clips and a note introducing yourself to contact@floodlightnews.org. Please write "Reporter Position" in the subject line.